

31 exceeds twenty dollars (\$20), when it is necessary to secure a non-  
32 standard casket because of the excess size or deformity of the body  
33 of the decedent, or when the family or next best friend of the decedent  
34 specify the use of a steel or concrete, outside, burial vault.

35 Any funeral expenses thus paid by the division shall become a part  
36 of the claim for assistance paid the individual recipient of old age  
37 assistance and shall be collectible under the provisions of sections  
38 fifty-two hundred ninety-six-fifteen (5296-f15) and fifty-two hundred  
39 ninety-six-fifteen (5296-f16), Code, 1935, both sections as amended  
40 by chapter one hundred thirty-seven (137), acts of the Forty-seventh  
41 General Assembly.

42 When no claim is filed, or whenever a claim is filed and disallowed,  
43 for the payment of funeral expenses, as provided for by this chapter  
44 and section, and the person furnishing such services and merchan-  
45 dise, in connection with the funeral of a deceased recipient of old age  
46 assistance, files a claim against the decedent's estate, as provided for  
47 by chapter five hundred seven (507), Code, 1935, such claim shall not  
48 be allowed in an amount exceeding two hundred dollars (\$200)."

Approved April 24, 1939.

## CHAPTER 143

### COUNTY PUBLIC HOSPITALS

#### S. F. 75

AN ACT to amend chapters 269 and 269-A1 of the code, 1935, and all amendments thereto, and to provide for the financing of the erection of the hospital buildings and additions thereto, by the issuance of county public hospital bonds, and to provide for an increase in the tax rate for the improvement and maintenance of county public hospitals, in counties having a population of one hundred thirty-five thousand inhabitants or over.

*Be It Enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:*

1 SECTION 1. Chapter 269 of the Code, 1935, is amended by adding  
2 thereto after section five thousand three hundred forty-eight (5348)  
3 the following section:

4 "The Board of Supervisors of any county having a population of one  
5 hundred thirty-five thousand inhabitants or more in which there is  
6 already an established county public hospital, when requested by a  
7 petition therefor signed by qualified electors of the county equal in  
8 number to five per cent of the votes cast at the last general election,  
9 and which petition shall have been approved by the Board of Hospital  
10 Trustees, shall submit to the voters at the next general election or  
11 at a special election called therefor, the proposition of issuing county  
12 public hospital bonds for the purpose of erecting and equipping hospi-  
13 tal buildings and additions thereto, which proposition shall state the  
14 maximum amount of bonds to be issued and the annual rate of tax  
15 to be levied for the payment of said bonds. Should the proposition  
16 carry at such election by a majority equal to at least sixty per cent  
17 of all the votes cast for or against such proposition, the Board of Super-  
18 visors shall proceed to issue the bonds in the form provided in section

19 five thousand three hundred fifty-one (5351), in such an amount within  
 20 the total amount voted, and at such time, as the Board of Hospital  
 21 Trustees shall request, and upon the issue of such bonds the Board  
 22 of Supervisors shall make provision for the payment of the principal  
 23 and interest of the bonds out of the county public hospital fund by the  
 24 levy of a tax within the limitations provided for in section five thousand  
 25 three hundred fifty-three (5353), as amended."

1 SEC. 2. Section five thousand three hundred fifty-three (5353),  
 2 Code, 1935, as amended, is hereby amended by striking the words  
 3 "one and one-fourth" from line thirteen (13) of said section and  
 4 inserting in lieu thereof the word "two".

1 SEC. 3. This act being deemed of immediate importance shall be  
 2 in full force and effect from and after its passage and publication in  
 3 the Clarence Sun, a newspaper published at Clarence, Iowa, and Plain  
 4 Talk, a newspaper published at Des Moines, Iowa.

Approved April 10, 1939.

I hereby certify that the foregoing act was published in the Clarence Sun, Clarence,  
 Iowa, April 14, 1939, and the Plain Talk, Des Moines, April 13, 1939.

EARL G. MILLER, *Secretary of State.*

## CHAPTER 144

### BLIND PERSONS

#### S. F. 305

AN ACT to amend section four (4), chapter one hundred forty-four (144), acts of the  
 Forty-seventh General Assembly, to provide an exemption of personal earnings of  
 blind persons eligible to assistance under the provisions of said act and to qualify  
 the State of Iowa for full federal participation.

*Be It Enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:*

1 SECTION 1. Section four (4), chapter one hundred forty-four  
 2 (144), Acts of the Forty-seventh General Assembly, is hereby amended  
 3 by adding to said section the following:

4 "In determining the amount of said assistance, the personal earn-  
 5 ings of any blind person to the amount of thirty dollars (\$30.00) per  
 6 month shall be disregarded.

7 "In the event federal participation shall be granted in excess of  
 8 fifteen dollars (\$15.00) per month per recipient, the state maximum  
 9 may be increased to such amount as will qualify the state for full  
 10 federal participation."

Approved April 19, 1939.